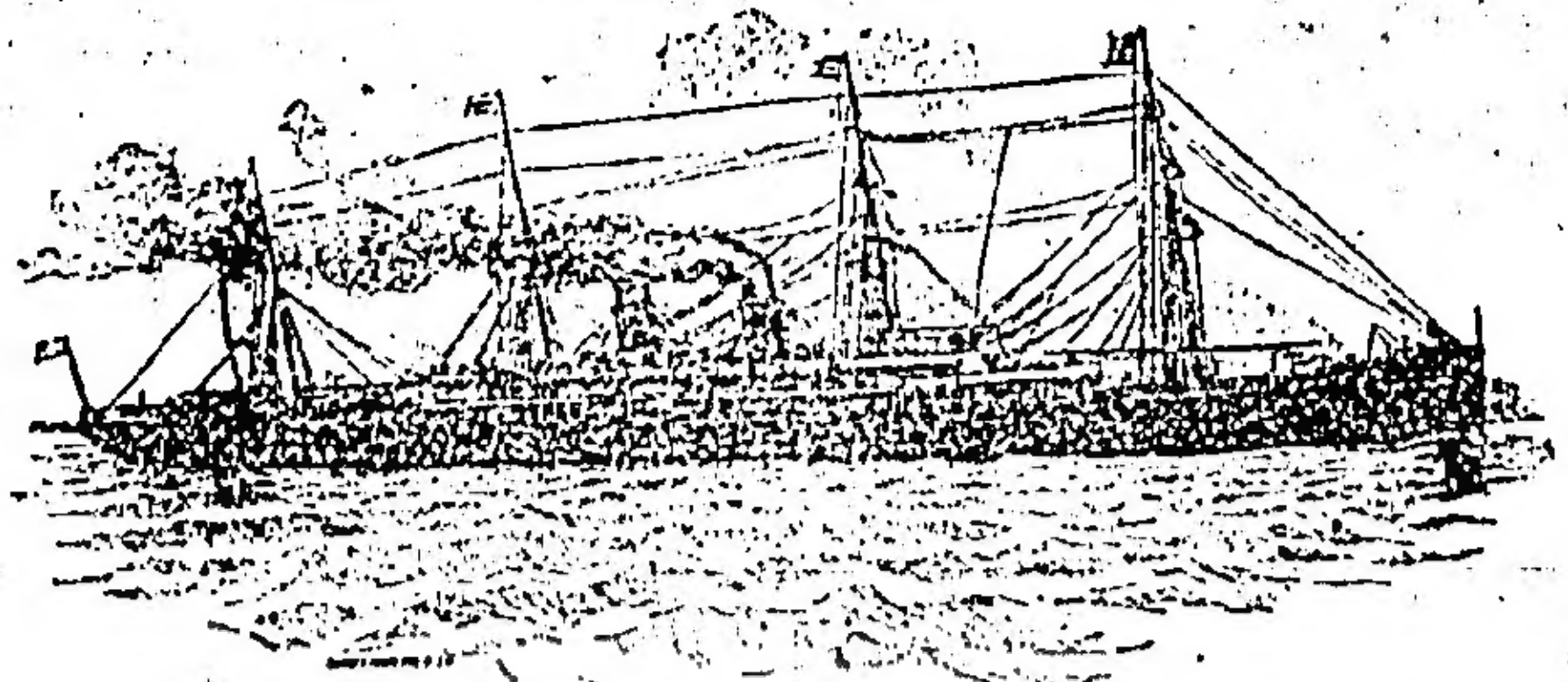


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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902.

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"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 11th Mar., 1903.
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 18th Mar., 1903.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA"	6,000	TUESDAY, 1st April, 1903.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 22nd April, 1903.
"TARTAR"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, 6th May, 1903.
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Madsen	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	13th Jan., 1903.	Freight.
NURNBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	27th Jan., 1903.	Freight and Passengers.
Jaburg	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.)	10th Feb., 1903.	Freight and Passengers.
SILESIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	24th Feb., 1903.	Freight and Passengers.
WURZBURG	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	10th Feb., 1903.	Freight and Passengers.
v. Hinz	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.)	24th Feb., 1903.	Freight and Passengers.
C. FERD. LAEISZ	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	10th Feb., 1903.	Freight and Passengers.
Fuchs	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	24th Feb., 1903.	Freight and Passengers.

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
HONGKONG OFFICE,
No. 1, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902.

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL
TRAMWAYS COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby giving that the EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, TO-MORROW, the 30th day of December, 1902, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd to 31st instant, both Days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. [1379d]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWELFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED, will be held at the BANK PREMISES, Queen's Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st January, 1903, at NOON, for the purposes following, namely:—
To receive and consider Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet to 31st Dec., 1902, the Reports of the Directors and Auditor thereon, to elect Auditors, and to transact the other Ordinary Business of the Company.

The TRANSFER BOOKS and REGISTER OF MEMBERS OF the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to 21st day of January, 1903, both Days inclusive.

By Order,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong 19th December, 1902. [13921]

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER
BOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that the Remaining Call of THREE DOLLARS per Share is now called up, and is PAYABLE at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 37, Connaught Road, on or before January 2nd, 1903.

On Payment, Shareholders will please hand in their Scrips for endorsement by the Manager.

By Order,
J. W. KEE,
Manager.
Hongkong, 15th December, 1902. [13664]

THE EASTERN EXTENSION AND
GREAT NORTHERN TELE-
GRAPH COMPANIES.

REVISED CURRENCY CHARGES ON
CABLEGRAMS.

THE senders of telegrams are hereby advised that from the 1st of January 1903 the Currency equivalent of the Franc has been raised from \$0.40 to \$0.46, subject to further revision three months hence, at which rate the tariffs for all telegrams from China will be collected.

Any further information desired may be obtained by applying at the Companies' Offices.
J. M. BECK,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1902. [1398d]

NOTICE.

OWING to the large increase in the Cost of Fodder, we are obliged to raise the PRICE of our MILK to 12 CENTS per small bottle from 1st January next.

THE DAIRY FARM CO., LD.,
S. A. SETHI,
Secretary.

THE HONGKONG DAIRY,
G. W. GEGG,
Manager.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1902. [1385d]

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Intimations.

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HONGKONG.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF WILLIAM GEORGE, LATE
OF VICTORIA, HONGKONG, MAR-
INE ENGINEER, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Court has, by virtue of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 3 of 1897, made an Order limiting to the 31st day of JANUARY 1903, for sending in Claims against the above Estate.

All Creditors are hereby required to send their Claims to the Undersigned before the said Date.

Dated this 29th day of October, 1902.

J. W. NORTON-KYSE,
Official Administrator.

NOTICE.

THE attention of the public is drawn to the provisions of the Stamp Amendment Ordinance 1902, whereby certain duties are increased and it is recommended that at least a part of any stock of old forms be presented to the Stamp Office for surcharging before the 31st instant.

A copy of the new Schedule in force from the 1st January, 1903, can be seen at the Stamp Office.

A. M. THOMSON,
Treasurer, &c.

Hongkong 27th December, 1902. [1422d]

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1902. [1368d]

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Hongkong, 15th December, 1902. [1367d]

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Hongkong, 14th October, 1902. [29]

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1902. [1339c]

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Intimations.

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12th October, 1902. [21]

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12th October, 1902.

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Hongkong, 20th November, 1901. [1266c]

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Hongkong, 18th December, 1902. [1386d]

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REPAIRS

OUR LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, November 21st.
EUROPEAN ROYALTIES IN ENGLAND.
The Kaiser left Leith yesterday on his yacht. He has had a good time shooting in Norfolk, Cumberland, and "Scotland," but the international surprises promised by some newspapers are not yet visible. The only item which appears to me important in this connection comes from Berlin, where orders are said to have been received from the Kaiser for a high Foreign Office official to proceed immediately to China. It is understood that this official is to report on the evacuation of Shanghai and the recognition of the Lika Treaty by Germany.

When the Kaiser went north to visit Lord Lansdowne, the King of Portugal took his place as the guest of King Edward. These two monarchs are now at Windsor, daily shooting parties being arranged in the royal covers. Later in the week the visitor goes to Diddington Hall, Lord Amherst of Hackney's Norfolk place, subsequently passing on to see Lord Iveagh at Elvedon Hall. The first week in December will be spent with Lord Lansdowne at Bowood Park and then after a short stay at Buckingham Palace the return journey to Lisbon will be undertaken. When King Carlos arrives at home he will find the political weather rather rough, for the financial difficulties of Portugal have caused some dissensions among the ministry and several members are only awaiting the King's return before they resign.

I hear on good authority that the War Office is seriously considering the purchase of a brewery at which the whole of the beer used in the army canteens may be brewed. Two brewery establishments near Aldershot have been provisionally inspected. The army does not view the proposal with much favour as there is a shrewd suspicion that
WORSER BEER WILL BE SERVED.
to the troops if the government goes into the malt and hops business. How the proposal will be received in the House of Commons can be imagined when it is remembered how strong the brewing interest is among the ministerialists. It would be amusing to see brewer and temperance advocate combining to defeat the measure.

Writing of the House reminds me that the Irishmen are suspiciously quiet just now, in spite of the application of the Crimes Act to many parts of the Emerald Isle. The most ingenious explanation is given by the usually well-informed *Liverpool Daily Post*, which says:—"O'Brien's letter in the Irish papers has strengthened the conviction, if it does not actually prove, that a secret arrangement has been made between the Government and the Nationalists. Mr. Wyndham seems to have negotiated a new kind of Kilmarnock treaty. There can be no doubt in the present case that the Irish members have been led to believe, if they have not been actually informed, that the Land Bill of next year will meet their principal demands. The Chief Secretary will carry on a sort of a war—to use Lord Halsbury's phrase—against the United Irish League, but he has, in fact, surrendered to that body, and will next year do nearly everything that it has asked."

The result of the poll of Irish landowners with regard to the proposed land conference has resulted in a large majority of votes in favour of the conference. The exact figures are—1,128 in favour, and 578 against. There is a report, which does not find much credence, that a new Irish party is being formed with Tim Healy as its leader. There are some ten Nationalists who are on the black books of the official party for one reason or another—two are for instance banned because they attended the Coronation ceremony in defiance of a resolution of the party—but the truth is Mr. Healy is much too smart a man to readily give up the advantages of being a freelance, to lead a party of 700. Then again it is said the report originated with Mr. Jasper Tully, the irreconcilable "who will have his little joke." A parliamentary wag assures me that if there is a new party it consists of one member—Mr. Tully.

Col. Lynch, the elected of Galway, whose trial for aiding the Boers has been delayed such an extraordinary time will shortly be put before his judges. It will be what is called a "trial-by-jury" before the Lord Chief Justice and two other King's Bench Judges. A heavy array of counsel are engaged on either side. The Education Bill, by the way, will be out of the way by Christmas week and the House will rise a day or two before that festival.

I mentioned in a previous letter the disappearance of a well-known peer in connection with a most unsavoury case. The peer's name is freely mentioned, and many colourable excuses are sent the round of the Press for his non-appearance in public. The remarkable statement is now published that the case was recently the subject of a conference between the Lord Chancellor, the Attorney General, and another famous man, with the result that it was agreed that in the present state of public opinion it was not desirable to have such a prosecution AGAINST A MEMBER OF THE UPPER HOUSE.

The "noble lord" has previously narrowly escaped prosecution more than once.
The case of Cowen versus Labouchere has occupied public attention at intervals for many months. Now, it seems to be settled for good. Cowen runs a paper called *Commerce*, and a manufacturers' club in connection with it called the Article Club. Fees are high for membership, but this clever individual induced some of the biggest men in the country to join. Labouchere asserted in *Truth* that Cowen was using "well-known men for personal ends"—hence the libel action. The first hearing ended

in the disagreement of the jury, but the second which has just concluded, gave a verdict for Mr. Labouchere. A tremendous array of important witnesses was called and Mr. Cowen, who defended himself, made many prolix speeches. It will be remembered that this astute journalist induced the ex-Chinese Minister, Sir Chichen Lofengluh to tour the provinces under the auspices of the Club until the Minister saw the exposures in *Truth*, whereupon he declined to keep it up. Altogether the case has lasted 21 days and though Mr. Labouchere won at last, it has cost him £15,000, according to the newspaper estimates. Mr. Cowen will have to pay his own costs, about £5,000, in the first case, and £5,000 as his share of the defendant's costs in the second trial.

I hear from a Berlin correspondent that the German Government intends to appoint a permanent Commercial Commissioner for India with a residence at Calcutta. He will be quite distinct from the consul there and will have no diplomatic standing. He will report on India's requirements in German goods.

The Government is about to make a bold attempt to reform the administration of the Port of London. They are putting forward a bill which will create a new port authority CONTROLLING THE THAMES from Teddington to the sea. The scheme follows, in the main, the recommendations of the Royal Commission which investigated the subject. The new authority will control all the existing docks and wharves, and will be equipped with ample powers to effect great changes in the accommodation for shipping in the river. Experts differ as to whether London can gain her old supremacy as a port again, but the government intends to try what can be done in that direction.

A company called The London and Southampton Canal Navigation Company has been floated to construct a canal from Southampton to London. Mr. A. Waters of Teddington, in a letter to the Southampton Harbour Board, states that the company will make a canal 72 feet wide and eleven deep, with twelve locks from the river Wey. It is proposed to light and work the canal by electricity. All the money required the company say they already have, and plans will be ready in about three weeks.

The fact that the War Office has decided that every infantry regiment shall be supplied with a pom-pom shows the change that has come over the opinions of our military authorities with regard to that weapon. Some years before the war broke out it was offered to the War Office but the experts decided against it. The Boers soon showed its power, and in hot haste Pall Mall adopted it.

With regard to the Navy I hear that a scheme is on foot to make each dockyard do the work for which it is specially adapted. Thus, Portsmouth will take the building and repair of cruisers; Chatham the battleships; Pembroke the torpedo destroyers; Sheerness, the torpedo-boats and general refitting; and so on. It is not definitely decided yet, but it is being urged by its supporters that it will enable the yards to complete the ships required much more speedily than under present conditions.

The loss to Nonconformity this week in the death of the Rev. Hugh Price Hughes is very great. He was a brilliant and courageous preacher and his Sunday evening meetings in St. James' Hall have been famous for years. He died suddenly of apoplexy after attending a meeting in the city. Mr. Andrew Carnegie and General Botha are also on the sick list in

ASK for ASAHI JAPANESE BEER—G. Girault.

London hotels. Dr. Parker of the City Temple has been ailing for some months. It seemed for a time as though he would recover but a relapse set in and for a week he has been lying at Hampstead all but dead.

The weather all over Europe is bitterly cold and as industrial conditions are not pleasant in Germany, Sweden, France, and, in a less degree, in England it will be a bleak time for many.

As I write the snow is falling—the first of the season—and everything points to a real old-fashioned Christmas, with frost and snow and skating, and all the joys dear to the youthful heart. On behalf of preparing Londoners, with the permission of the Editor, I wish all *Hongkong Telegraph* readers in the Far East a right merry Yuletide and a prosperous New Year.

SILVER.

CHINA IS THE CAUSE OF THE CONTINUED DECLINE.

LONDON, Nov. 26.
The continued decline in the price of silver causes considerable comment in the financial circles. According to the best informed source it is regarded as being directly due to China flooding the market with silver in the indemnity payment to the Powers. Prior to the recent disturbances, China was a large purchaser of silver in London, but now the balance of trade is reversed, and instead of China trading silver in return for tea, silk and other articles, imported into the United Kingdom, she has to ship silver in payment of manufactured articles. This alone, without the large indemnity disbursements, is considered sufficient to account for the depreciation in the value of the metal. It is pointed out that even if China paid the indemnity in gold the results would be the same because she would have to send the same quantity of silver to Europe in order to buy gold. The Chinese contention that China should pay the indemnity at the higher rate of exchange in force when the recent peace treaty was signed, finds some support among the leading English houses who are not only alarmed at the prevailing conditions on account of their Far East trade, but also on account of their large commerce with India. Rumours were rife recently that a large American syndicate was unloading silver and that this was the cause of the decline, but these find no credence among the larger Anglo-American firms.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Acting Director of the Hongkong Observatory—

On the 29th at 11.35 a.m. The barometer has fallen quickly over China, particularly on the S. coast.
Pressure is highest over the E. coast of China, and probably a depression is developing over Central China.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected.
All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognised.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 31st instant, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 4th January, 1903, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
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Hongkong, 24th December, 1902. [653c]

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TOSA MARU	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 13th January, at 4 P.M.
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BIRTHS.

On the 25th instant, at No. 4 Range Road, Shanghai, the wife of N. A. VILLODAKI, of a son.

On the 26th December, at Woodlands, K. A. J. the wife of E. DIGH WILLUGHBY, Assistant Engineer, Singapore Railway, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

At the Union Church, Hongkong, on the 25th December, by the Rev. Mr. Hickling, SAMUEL FARRELL, (s.s. *Sungking*), to JANE JANET AITKEN, youngest daughter of the late John Aitken, of Greenock. [1433d]

DEATH.

On the 27th December, at 11.30 p.m., at "Speranza," Peak Road, RACHET, the dearly beloved wife of David Haskell, aged 37 years. Deeply regretted. [1425d]

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1902.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Mineral Wealth of Weihaiwei.

The statements that have been made respecting the mineral wealth of Weihaiwei, and which have, metaphorically speaking, been lying on the shelf for the past three years, have suddenly received new life. On the strength of the investigations of Messrs. Duff and Dawson, mining experts who have had experience in California, Corea and the Philippines, Weihaiwei is declared to be an El Dorado. These gentlemen, who went to Port Edward with sudden garments and sore feet after a twenty-mile tramp from the wrecked *Ensigne Henri*, have gone from the Colony in a state of complete satisfaction. The results of their prospecting for gold have been most gratifying. A large proportion of the rocks of the Territory are auriferous, and in two localities particularly rich veins have been discovered, superior, according to these gentlemen, to anything they have come across in Corea. One of the favoured spots is Tiger Mountain, the other Sugar Loaf Hill. The former is a little inland from the Fourth Lagoon, close to the boundary; the other is more towards the eastern portion of the Territory inland from Three Peak Bay and overlooking the valley of the Fung-fou River. The sands of this river have been worked for gold by the Chinese for years past, but the labour of thus extracting the precious metal would not repay the European. On the other hand, the reefs of gold-bearing quartz in the hill above are incomparably more valuable. The Weihaiwei Gold Mining Syndicate and the Yangtze Valley Company, Limited, have secured the concessions for these districts. The latest type of machinery will be set up and operations are expected to begin shortly. If gold in payable quantities should be discovered to reward the enterprise of the two concerns then instead of being only a "second class watering place" the acquisition of Weihaiwei and the royalties which the Government might derive from its gold output will not only repay the trouble and expense of holding the Colony, but prove a decidedly remunerative concession to capital and labour that may be employed therein. With our experience, however, of the fate that has overtaken Hongkong capital in gold mines in the Straits we should not be too sanguine, until actual results prove it to be so, of the El Dorado in our furthest outpost.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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WARSHIPS IN PORT are being painted the regulation grey.

THE NEXT MAIL FROM HOME is due on Thursday by the *Sanuki Maru*, which left Singapore at 7 a.m. on Saturday.

PLAGUE.—A dead Chinaman was found opposite 54, Stanley Street during the past 24 hours. He died from plague.

H. K. F. C. V. H.M.S. *GLORY*.—The first of the shield series of matches was played on Saturday when the *Glory* won by 3-2.

THE KOWLOON FRACAS.—We hear that some of the men of the 10th Bombay Light Infantry, connected with the fracas at Kowloon between the soldiers, police and civilians, are to be punished.

NAVAL NOTES.—H. M. Transport *Clive* left for Calcutta on Saturday; the U.S. monitor *Monterey* left for Canton yesterday. H.M.S. *Abdon* went out for practice, and U.S.S. *Rainbow* arrived from Manila to-day.

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THE GERMAN MAIL of the 26th November was delivered in London on the 27th instant.

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QUANG NAM IN DISTRESS.—Capt. Shalkier, of the str. *Carl Diederichsen* from Haiphong, reports—uplay morning the 28th, sighted the French str. *Quang Nam* from Saigon, flying distress signal and laying at anchor in Shito Bay, St. John Island. Steered for her and found that she was short of coal. Took off from her 1 bag mail, 74 Chinese, 2 children, 1 Japanese and proceeded to Hongkong.

PROMOTION TO NAVAL OFFICER.—The many friends of Mr. J. T. Smith, Naval torpedo gunner and expert, who for some years was in charge of the Kowloon Naval Depot, and who went home a few years ago, has returned to the Colony, on his way to Sydney, where he has been appointed to take charge of the torpedo and electrical works established there. Mr. Smith left to-day for his new post per the s.s. *Chinglu*.

AT T. E. DOCKS.—The Norwegian str. *Tres* which was run into by another steamer while anchored in the harbour a few days ago is now undergoing repairs at the Kowloon Docks. The twin-screw str. *Tremont* is also docked for or in repairs. She is a sister ship to the *Shamout* and belongs to the Boston Steamship Co. These ships are elegantly fitted with every comfort, netting 6,175 tons, with a carrying capacity of over 18,000 tons.

CONCERT AT KOWLOON DOCKS.—A very enjoyable variety concert took place at the Kowloon Docks on Saturday evening, the entertainment being given by the members of the Amateur Dramatic Society. The programme, which was a lengthy one, comprised instrumental and vocal solos, and a couple of sketches, both of which were very well executed, and the artists greatly applauded. Mrs. Coggin was golden opinions by her clever manipulation of the piano and her exhibition on the violin.

ALLEGED ARSON.—K. Tong and Chui Chong were charged before Mr. F. A. Hazland this morning at the Police Court with arson, in respect of No. 318 Queen's Road, West. The Fire Brigade turned out on an outbreak of fire at No. 318 Queen's Road, West, at 2.45 on Saturday morning. P.C. 114 was first to arrive at the scene, and saw the two prisoners coming down from the first floor where the fire originated. They were at once arrested, and the constable on examining them found one of them had his hands wet with kerosene. The case was adjourned, but refused.

ZETLAND LODGE.—Wor. Bro. B. Brotherton Barker was installed Worshipful Master of Zetland Lodge, No. 525, E. C. by Wor. Bro. F. C. Ray, Deputy District Grand Master, at a regular meeting on Saturday evening. The officers installed for 1903 were:—I. P. M., W. Bro. J. W. James; W. Bro. J. W. Henry; S. W. Bro. J. W. Oliver; J. W. Bro. Henry Sykes; chaplain, Bro. T. Wright; treasurer, Wor. Bro. G. J. B. Sayat; S. D., Bro. W. H. Threlcott; D.C., Bro. G. A. D. S. I. G. Bro. G. Patton; secretary, Bro. E. Ralph; J.D., Bro. A. J. Skelton; organist, Bro. G. Grimble; tyler, Bro. I. Vanstone; stewards, Bros. J. Parkes and J. C. Lowe.

GRAND MARRIAGE IN CANTON.—A marriage of great interest took place yesterday at Canton, when the daughter of our well respected citizen, Mr. Chow Tung Shan, one of the directors of the National Bank, was wedded. A whole host of Hongkongites were invited, and amongst those present were H. E. Sir A. Blake, G.C.M.G., Lady Blake and Miss Blake. H. E. and party left on Friday night and are expected back in this Colony this evening. Many of the presents were of a valuable nature, and included handsome diamonds, jade stones, and pearl wares. The happy bridegroom, who is a *literati*, besides being an accomplished young man holds a mandarin's rank. Mr. Fung Wa Chun was one of the guests.

THE JANET WALDORF CO.—Owing to its exceptional success *The Lady of Ostend* will be revived by the Janet Waldorf Co. at the Theatre Royal to-night. Once more Hongkong theatre-goers will have an opportunity of enjoying the troubles of Dick Whotles and the Baron de Longueville and of laughing at the amours of Mr. Carbury. To-morrow evening *Camille*, which was removed all too soon when first produced, will again take the boards for one night only. On Wednesday and Thursday a record season will be brought to a close and on these evenings a chance will be afforded for the first time in the East of witnessing the great London success *Sweet Nell of Old Lury*.

THE QUARRY BAY RIOT.—Before Mr. Hazland at the Police Court this morning twenty coolies employed at the Quarry Bay works were charged with the murder of Kaki Khan on the 21st instant, and also with cutting and wounding seven other watchmen with intent to murder them. On Saturday night Mr. F. J. Badley, Captain Superintendent of Police, in company with Inspector Robertson and a large number of police, visited the Quarry Bay works and arrested the prisoners. This morning they were put together with sixty other coolies, and were easily identified by the watchmen. The case was adjourned for a week.—At the Police Court this afternoon the Indian watchman, who assaulted the girl, was fined \$100 or a month.

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THE NEILL FRAWLEY COMPANY have booked their passage from Manila to Hongkong by the *Kohilla Maru*, Capt. B. Shop. The vessel is now at Hongkong, and leaves for Manila to-morrow, arriving back on the 6th January.

THE P. AND O. COMPANY.—At the annual meeting of the Peninsular and Oriental Company, Sir Thomas Sutherland announced considerable modifications in the passenger fares, particularly in the case of India, which will be introduced on the 1st January.

THE HON. J. BARRETT.—Interviewed in Calcutta, a fortnight ago, the Hon. Mr. Barrett said that President Roosevelt did offer him the appointment of Minister Plenipotentiary to Japan and that he had never expressed any views on the subject of excluding Japanese from America.

MRS. DAVID HASKELL died at "Speranza," Peak Road, on Saturday night at about half past eleven. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon and was largely attended by the Jewish community a few of whose members, as a mark of esteem, carried the coffin to the grave.

RETURN OF VISITORS to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending 28th December, 1902:—

	Library	Museum
Non-Chinese.....	167	36
Chinese.....	62	2,370
Total.....	229	2,406

THE OSAKA EXHIBITION.—We are in receipt of an interesting little book which gives the public a brief preliminary account of the character and object of the fifth national exhibition to be held in Osaka, in 1903. It is copiously illustrated with pictures of the chief points of beauty and vicinity, and should prove of great benefit to intending visitors.

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CARDS, COINS AND BILLIARD BALLS.—At St. Patrick's Club on New Year's Day Zamboni, conjurer, ventriloquist, musician and mimic, will give an exhibition of his skill. It is the intention of the performer to give several entertainments in the Colony, and judging from a lengthy and varied programme placed in our hands, a most enjoyable evening should be assured to large audiences.—See advt.

NEW GERMAN STEAMERS.—In addition to the new N. D. L. steamers *Roon* and *Geitau* which will shortly be placed on the run between Europe and the Far East in place of the *König Albert* and the *Prinzess Irene*, which are to be transferred, for the time being at any rate, to the New York Service, it is interesting to note that the Company has constructed three other steamers of the same kind as the first two mentioned. These are the *Zielen* (which will run to Australia), the *Scharnhorst*, and the *Seydlitz*. These five vessels were all constructed in Germany, and are 471 feet long, 55 feet wide, and 39 feet deep, with a gross tonnage of 8,200, and accommodation for 94 first class, 67 second class, and 2,300 steerage passengers. These ships are fitted with all the latest improvements and travel at 14 knots.

THE BROUGH COMPANY.—The *Strait Times* has received from Calcutta, from Mr. Allan Hamilton on Mr. Brough's manager, the following letter relating to the forthcoming visit of the Brough Company:—I am writing the Town Clerk by this mail, asking for the Town Hall to be reserved for Monday, February 9th, on which date we shall pass through Singapore en route to Hongkong per steamer *Nam Sang*. We shall play *Are You a Mason?* the latest London farce comedy, on the night of February 9th. As you have no doubt read, it is the merriest farce we have had for many a day, and infinitely more amusing than *The Private Secretary* and *Charley's Aunt*. We have been playing the farce here to the heaviest receipts in our experience of Calcutta. Sorry we shall not be able to stay longer with you.

POLICE SMOKING CONCERT.—Members of the Hongkong Police Force, assisted by friends, gave a most enjoyable concert on Saturday evening. The mess room at the Central Station was tastefully decorated and the hospitality of the hosts was boundless. Sergeant H. Garrod presided, the other officials present being Messrs. M. Davitt (vice-president), J. C. Wildin, E. H. Evans, J. Gibson, W. Wright and J. Deveney; while included among the guests were Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, A.D.S.P., Chief Inspector A. Mackie, Inspectors "C. Baker, W. L. Ford, J. Gauld, D. D. Cuthbert, and J. H. Gidley. Those who contributed to the harmony of the evening were: the well-known brothers Francis, whose clever pianoforte and vocal contributions were greatly appreciated, Messrs. W. Burgess, W. Dockree, H. Palmer, Debenham, F. Varney, C. Barnett (elocutionist), Gus Gregory (comet soloist), W. Rogers, Amittage, E. Jenkins, P. Martin, Powell, Gool-will, McMurthy, Cooper and Captain Calder. Mr. Goodwill acted as piano accompanist. At eleven o'clock the party was somewhat disturbed by the loud clanging of the Fire Bell, and several present dispersed to change their occupation from music and enjoyment to hard work in the interests of life and property.

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SIR CHEN TUNG LIANG CHENG, who recently passed through Hongkong from London where he was the Chinese Ambassador, leaves Shanghai for this Colony to-morrow on board of the *Tai Shan*, and will subsequently proceed to Washington to take up his appointment as Chinese Ambassador.

THE WRONG MR. WRIGHT.—Strange rumours are being circulated throughout the Colony regarding a certain personage who deposited several hundred Mexican dollars with another certain gentleman prior to visiting the sights of Canton. A day or two later the second certain gentleman seeing the name of the visitor, who had deposited the money, on the passenger list of the English mail steamer hastened away to the ship, explained that he had forgotten to call for his money and was given a receipt for the deposit which was handed over. The boat left and subsequently the first certain gentleman returned from Canton and called upon No. 2 for the Mexicans. He tendered the receipt and then it was seen that the dollars had been handed to the wrong party. The police were communicated with, and upon the arrival of the steamer at Singapore arrests were made. The second certain gentleman is taking a trip to Singapore on the French mail steamer for purposes of identification.

SAILOR'S INSTITUTE, KOWLOON:—Largely through the kindness of many friends, the seamen's mission were enabled to entertain a large number of seafaring men on Christmas Day; thus reminding them that, though far from home, yet they were not without friends. About 140 were taken out to Stonecutters Island in the early afternoon, where they indulged heartily in athletic sports of various kinds. A special "sports committee" had been organized for this purpose and they spared no effort to make the list of events as attractive and as varied as possible, and to secure suitable prizes for the successful competitors. The event which caused most excitement was the tug-of-war, which resulted in the merchant seamen gaining a victory over the stokers, marines, and bluejackets—a popular victory, it may be added. As darkness began to fall a start was made for home, and all were ready to partake of the sumptuous tea which the ladies had prepared in the Sailors' Institute, Kowloon, for the returning sportsmen. Every inch of available space was occupied and full justice having been done to the good things provided, an adjournment was made to the upper room. Here some 20 men proceeded to enjoy themselves as only sailors can. Music, sea and secular, instrumental and vocal, was now indulged in, with one or two really good recitations thrown in. The climax, however, was reached when the little Captain of the brig *Star*, (Miss Lily T. Mason) stepped on the deck of her ship and proceeded to the discharge of the cargo which warm hearts and deft fingers had been getting ready for the past 10 or 12 weeks. On entering the room, each man had received a number, and found to his surprise later on that there was a small consignment for him, with a corresponding mark on it, in the hold of the brig. About 350 men thus received some little token of good will. In the course of the evening Mr. Milton kindly presented the prizes won at the sports to the successful competitors. When the time came to separate a lot felt that they had thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and expressed their gratitude in no measured terms to the ladies and others who had enabled them to spend Christmas in such an agreeable manner. The "Annual Meeting" takes place to-morrow (Tuesday) evening at 8 p.m. The augmented choir will sing a selection of carols. Mrs. Brewett and Mr. C. H. P. Hay and other friends have promised solos, and addresses will be given by several of the local clergy.

REPORTED STRIKE AT QUARRY BAY.

As we go to press information reaches us that the Chinese employed at Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's works at Quarry Bay have gone out on strike in consequence of the arrests made by the police in connection with the recent serious disturbance between the Indian watchmen and the coolies there. Owing to the lateness of the hour at which the report arrived, it has not been possible to obtain any verification of the rumour. We give it publicity, but would not vouch for its accuracy.

THE CHINA BORNEO CO., LTD.

WOUNDED UP.—Shareholders in the China Borneo Company, Limited, attended an extraordinary general meeting in the Company's offices, No. 4 Queen's Buildings, at noon to-day. Those present were: Hon. C. S. Sharp (chairman), and Messrs. E. O. Osborne, A. G. Wood, G. C. Master, J. C. Peter, H. W. Wickham, J. A. Jopp, M. A. O. Bapista, Leung Shiu Lun, and W. D. Jupp (acting-manager). The meeting was called for the purpose of considering the following resolution:—That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies Ordinances 1865 to 1899, and that the Honourable Charles Stewart Sharp, Alexander George Wood, and John Thomas Martin Wicheley be appointed Liquidators of the said company with liberty for each of them solely to exercise all the powers of the joint liquidators. The Chairman said:—Our last meeting was held on the 27th October, when the resolution was confirmed affirming the expediency of

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effecting an amalgamation of this company with the Borneo Hardwood Company Limited, and authorizing the consulting committee to confirm and carry into effect a provisional agreement entered into for this purpose, with such modifications and additions as they might consider best in the interests of this company. During the interval which has elapsed arrangements relating to the foregoing have been proceeded with both here and in Borneo, and the time seems now to have arrived when, in order to carry the above mentioned purpose into effect, we have to ask you to take the further step of passing the necessary resolution to place this company in liquidation, a step which will be followed in due course by the incorporation and registration of a new company for the purpose of taking over the two concerns on terms of the agreement made for that purpose. The original provisional agreement submitted to you at the meetings of 11th and 27th October last was, as then described, one dated 8th August last, entered into in London, between this company by Mr. J. M. Wicheley, and the Borneo Hardwood Company, Limited, and by the terms of the resolution passed and confirmed by you at these meetings the consulting committee were authorized to confirm the same with such modifications and additions as the consulting committee may consider will best serve the interests of the company. These modifications and additions referred to certain details, negotiations about which we had been conducting with Mr. Wicheley by telegram, of which it was necessary we should receive written confirmation, and we have since received a further provisional agreement, dated London 21st October last, which embodies the provisions of the first Agreement of 8th August, and all the modifications and additions as arranged, and this latter agreement therefore takes the place of that of 8th August. This agreement of 21st October has now been ratified, and becomes the basis of the amalgamation of the two companies, its provisions being in all essentials the same as those of the former agreement, the leading features of which I stated to you at the meeting of 11th October last. I may here state that, since the notice was given calling this meeting, it has been considered that the form of resolution therein given is rather bald, and that it should contain some reference to the proceedings at our meetings of 11th and 27th October last, so as to define more precisely the objects and reasons for the proposed liquidation. Any alteration from the form of resolution as advertised had better come in the form of an amendment from the shareholders present, so if anyone will move the necessary amendment I shall be obliged if he will do so after the original resolution as advertised has been proposed and seconded. The resolution speaks for itself, but I may explain here that it has been thought advisable to name three persons liquidators, so as to make full provision for the carrying out of all the necessary arrangements in case of any of them being absent at any time from the Colony. I will now propose the resolution as follows:—That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies Ordinances 1865 to 1899, and that the Hon. Charles Stewart Sharp, Alexander George Wood, and John Thomas Martin Wicheley be appointed Liquidators of the said company with liberty for each of them solely to exercise all the powers of the joint liquidators.

Mr. J. A. Jupp.—I beg to second.
Mr. G. C. Master.—I appear by proxy for Mr. A. P. Stokes, and beg to propose the following amendment as this meeting is being held as a consequence of the two meetings of previous dates:—That for the purpose of carrying into effect the special resolution duly passed and confirmed at extra ordinary general meetings of the company held on the 11th and 27th days of October 1902 the company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies Ordinances 1865 to 1899, and that the Honourable Charles Stewart Sharp, Alexander George Wood, and John Thomas Martin Wicheley be appointed Liquidators of the said company with liberty for each of them solely to exercise all the powers of the joint liquidators and that for the like purpose the liquidators be and they are hereby authorized to consent to the preparation of the memorandum and articles of association of and to the registration of a new company to be incorporated under the Companies Ordinances of Hongkong under the name of The China Borneo Comp. ny Limited or some similar title.
Mr. C. Peter seconded. The chairman then put the amendment to the meeting and it was carried unanimously.
This was all the business.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.
American (*China*) 31st inst.
American (*Doric*) 8th prox.
American (*Nippon Maru*) 16th prox.
The N. P. S. Co.'s steamer *Tacoma* sailed from Yokohama for Tacoma on the 27th inst.
The N. P. S. Co.'s steamer *Duke of Edinburgh* sailed from Tacoma for Yokohama on the 25th inst.
The N. P. S. Co.'s steamer *Shawmut* sailed from Victoria, B.C., for Yokohama on the 24th inst.
The N. P. S. Co.'s steamer *China* with mails, &c., sailed from Shanghai to-day, 29th inst., at 9 a.m.
The N. Y. K. Co.'s steamer *Sanuki Maru* (Europe in Line) left Singapore for this port on the 27th inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 1st prox.
The N. Y. K. Co.'s steamer *Kanbay Maru* (Bombay Line) left Shimoda for this port on the 28th inst., and is expected to arrive here to-morrow the 30th inst.
The D. & Co.'s steamer *Shimoda* from New York and Straits sailed from Manila for Hongkong on the 27th inst., and is expected to arrive here to-morrow the 30th inst.

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TELEGRAMS.

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A Royal Divorce

AGAINST HER PRINCESS OF SAXONY
BERLIN, 27th December, 1902.

7.15 p.m.

The Emperor of Austria has accepted the resignation of Archduke Leopold Ferdinand, who marries a commoner and renounces all his rights as a member of the Imperial household. His sister, the Crown Princess of Saxony, who suddenly left Salzburg and broke off all connection with the Royal House, still remains in Switzerland, where she is in love with Monsieur Girou, the tutor of her children. She refuses to return, and the Imperial Court has instituted proceedings for a divorce against her in the Civil Court, while she is endeavouring to obtain a divorce through a dispensation from the Pope, against which King George of Saxony has objected.

Venezuela and Arbitration

RE SEVERAL'S REFUSAL.

American newspapers report that President Roosevelt has refused to arbitrate in the Venezuelan question, but the official announcement of this has not yet been made. Should the President refuse, the Hague Tribunal will be asked to arbitrate on the basis of the Anglo-German notes of reserves delivered at London and Berlin on the 22nd inst.

Trouble expected in Macedonia.

Court Landisoff, the Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs has arrived at Belgrade from Sofia. Russia still remains on her last standpoint and strongly condemns Macedonia's trials to disconnect her, self from Turkey.

The Prussian Landtag.

The Prussian Landtag has been called in for the 13th January.

The Zanzibar Slave Trade.

LONDON, December 26th.

A Blue book on the slave trade at Zanzibar contains a despatch from Lord Lansdowne to Sir C. N. E. Eliot, British Agent and Consul-General at Zanzibar, approving of Consul Cave's action in reference to the labour question.

The Crown Princess of Saxony.

The Crown Princess of Saxony refuses to return to her father, fearing that he will place her in an asylum, though she is quite sane. It is alleged that the recent injury which the Crown Princess received was not the result of a hunting accident, but of a duel with Leopold Ferdinand, the Crown Princess' brother, who has also gone to Geneva.

Venezuela.

Venezuela announces that she agrees to arbitration by the Hague Tribunal, provided the blockade is raised, and her fleet restored. The value of the Venezuelan craft captured by the blockading squadrons hardly exceeds five thousand dollars.

The Andijan Earthquake.

Further earthquake shocks are occurring at Andijan at the rate of four or five daily.

Mr. Chamberlain at Durban.

Mr. Chamberlain landed at Durban this forenoon in stormy weather, and was received with a tremendous ovation from the immense crowds assembled to welcome him. Words of welcome were written in huge letters across the breakwater. On landing, the right honourable gentleman was received by the Governor of Natal, the Premier, Mayor, and legislators, with whom he drove to the town hall, where another enthusiastic gathering had assembled, he again being received with frantic cheers. The Town Clerk and Mayor then delivered addresses of welcome, to which Mr. Chamberlain in reply thanked them and said that the object of his visit was to express the sympathy of His Majesty the King and his people for South Africa.

Venezuela.

President Roosevelt has declined to act as arbitrator in the Venezuelan disputes. The European Governments concerned have therefore agreed to accept arbitration by the Hague Tribunal.

Mr. Chamberlain at Durban.

December 27th.

Mr. Chamberlain, speaking at a luncheon at Durban, said that the British flag was and must continue to be paramount in South Africa. Reconciliation with our late enemies should be easy, and he saw no cause for despair. He came in a spirit of conciliation, but also in a spirit of firmness. Federation was his great aim, but it would be a great mistake to hasten it prematurely. He mentioned that the Government had accepted the offer of a Boer contingent for service in Southland.

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FIRE IN QUEEN VICTORIA STREET.

A FIREMAN INJURED.

With the advent of the cold season and the approaching Chinese New Year, fires will doubtless be of frequent occurrence. On Saturday night at about five minutes to eleven, whilst some members of the Fire Brigade were at a concert in the Central Police Station, the alarm was sounded, denoting that a fire had broken out in the Central district. Captain Lyons, Deputy Captain Superintendent, and Inspector Robertson, and other members of the brigade hurriedly repaired to the scene, and discovered that the outbreak was located at No. 2 Queen Victoria Street. Although the appliances for subduing the flames were in readiness they had to stand by watching the fire devouring the premises. At length the much needed water was turned on and after a fierce battle, the energy of the firemen was rewarded. The premises, which was a three storied building was entirely gutted. The ground floor was used as a carpenter's shop. The amount of damage or the cause of the outbreak have not been ascertained. The premises were insured with the Tung On Insurance Company. During the progress of the fire, Fireman Rutledge, had a nasty fall which necessitated his removal to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

A FALSE ALARM.

Shortly after noon yesterday the Fire Brigade was hurriedly summoned to Queen's Road East, Wan-chai. Fortunately their services were not required as the outbreak turned out to be a chimney on fire.

DARING ARMED ROBBERY IN CANTON.

Information has just reached us that on Saturday night an armed robbery on a gigantic scale took place at a mandarin's residence in Kwei Tuck Gate, Canton. It is alleged that over forty robbers in the guise of miserable beggars assembled at about 3.15 p.m. at the gate of the Mandarin's house, and begged for food and clothing. This mandarin, it must be known, greatly assists the poor, and the robbers knowing of his kindness determined to take advantage of it. The mandarin's eldest son seeing the crowd of mendicants in tattered clothing very liberally gave one of them five taels to be divided among the mob. This, however, did not appear to satisfy the so-called beggars, for they gradually edged themselves nearer to the door, and demanded to see the mandarin. At that time the city gates were on the point of being shut, when the mandarin, to satisfy the "beggars," made his appearance and asked what the crowd wanted. The beggars each demanded twenty taels, and followed up their request by pointing revolvers point blank at the mandarin's head, and at the same time making a rush for the central hall. The mandarin, his family and servants were bound and gagged, and the robbers ransacked the house and carried away something like five hundred taels worth of jewellery and clothing. So far no arrests have been made.

CRICKET.

Craigengower C. C. v. Kowloon Depot G. C. on Saturday last was played at Happy Valley. The match was won by the Craigengower C. C. by 16 runs. The following are the scores and analysis.

Craigengower C. C.—M. P. Hartman, b. Toy, 3; J. D. Kinnaid, b. Bridgett, 12; L. E. Lightner, run out, 12; R. Pestonji, b. Toy, 0; A. O. Brown, b. Toy, 4; M. E. Asger, b. Smith, 3; R. Basi, c. b. Smith, 8; J. A. Rose, b. Toy, 7; L. E. Smith, b. Smith, 9; J. P. Jordan, b. Bridgett, 1; A. E. Asger, not out, 4. Extras, 8. Total, 108.

Kowloon Depot G. C.—Combe, run out, 24; Fozman, b. Brown, 13; Lightman, b. Brown, 4; Toy, c. Brown, b. Pestonji, 14; Bridgett, run out, 20; White, b. Brown, 1; Reeves, c. Rose, b. Brown, 1; Whiteaway, b. Hartman, c. Jenkins, 3; Stuart, b. Brown, 3; Sooth, b. Hartman, 5; Williams, not out, 0. Extras, 12. Total, 92.

K. D. C. C. BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O	M	R	W
Bridgett	6	—	0	4
Toy	10	1	0	7
Reeves	3	3	—	—
Smith	5	1	22	3

C. C. C. BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O	M	R	W
Brown	13	1	4	1
Pestonji	7	—	28	1
Lightman	7	2	12	4

THE MARSEILLES STRIKE

AND LOCAL SHIPPING.

As we have already announced the French mail of the 29th ult. is being brought on by the *Sanki Maru* which is due here on Thursday. This is owing to the delay to the departure of the *Armand Belic* from Marseilles in consequence of the Dockers Strike.

Particulars of the strike from Ceylon Papers are—

M. M. STEAMERS COOLED BY WATSPINS. Reuter's telegram shows a further development in the dockers' strike at Marseilles, which is now assuming large proportions. The strike, which is directed against the Government, will affect all shipping, and as the result of it British vessels will avoid the French port so long as the strike continues. The P. and O. Company's vessels call at Marseilles for passengers and cargo traffic, but as it will be impossible to handle cargo at the port while the strike lasts, the ships of the Company will call there only for the convenience of passengers. As the

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THE HOMEWARD-BOUND BIRBY BOYS will avoid calling at that port. The vessels will call at Algiers where the Company has a coaling depot, and thus meet the difficulty. The homeward-bound vessels of the NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, call at Marseilles. The last vessel of the line to leave Colombo will be the *Wakana Maru*, on Sunday, but it has not been decided whether the vessel will touch at Marseilles. The steamers of the

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES on the other hand have to visit Marseilles, which is the headquarters of the Company, and also because the mails have to be landed and taken on there in accordance with the Government contract. Owing to the importance of this mail work the French Government is taking steps to ensure the service being continued without interruption. It will be impossible to work any cargo, but as regards coaling the Government will lend assistance. The steamer *Armand Belic*, which is now on the way out after a detention of nearly nine days, has been COOLED BY A FRENCH MAN-OF-WAR, and while the strike lasts, the other French mail steamers will be cooled in like manner. According to a London cable, already published, the strike ended on the 16th inst.

SILANGOR AND THE CURRENCY.

The *Malay Mail* contains reports of two meetings held to consider the currency question. The Planters Association favoured gold and passed the following resolution— "That in the opinion of this Association, the use of exchange is now desirable in the best interests of the planting community in the F. M. S. and this Association further considers that the conversion should take place on the basis of the sovereign with decimal subsidiary coinage."

[CARRIED OVER TO ONE.] The Buyers of F. M. S. (11 present) voted solid for silver, the resolution passed being— "That as a fixed exchange would dislocate trade by disturbing commercial relations between this country and China, that as there would be serious difficulty with the coolies in the mines, and that as there would be a fall in the price of the staple product of the F. M. S. without any compensating reduction in the cost of production, the mining community of Selangor were of opinion that fixed exchange would adversely affect the mining industry and were therefore in favour of free silver."

Commercial.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

Several stocks are being inquired for. There are still buyers of HONGKONG BANKS at \$52.50. There is a firmer feeling in HONGKONG, CANTON & ACOA STEAMSHIPS with buyers at \$35.50. INDO-CHINA S.A. in demand at \$56. CHINA MAN LAR are wanted at \$5, as well as DOUGLAS STEAMSHIPS at \$41.50 to \$42. SHIP LANSBROOKS are rather weaker with sellers at \$1.75. There is a slight improvement in CHINA SUGARS with buyers at \$6. RADA AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINES are in demand at \$6. There are buyers of HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARVES at \$83 and HONGKONG LANDS at \$186, but there are no responses from sellers. WHAMPOA DOCKS have slightly improved, with sales at \$111 to \$112.50.

HONGKONG, 27th December. Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. report that the Chris mas holidays have interfered with the business, and but little has been done in shares during the week under review. The market closes, however, with a much firmer tendency for good many stocks. The Rates of Exchange on Shanghai are 1s. 7 1/2 for a 1/2 and 1s. 7 1/2 for a three days' sight. Private Bill Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamships have been forced down to 75, but at that rate, and probably at a little higher figure, shares are in further demand, without finding sellers. Indus sold at \$84, but later on \$85 has been paid, and the closing buying quotation is now \$85 1/2; business has been done further ahead at the equivalent of \$85 cash. The latest quotation from Shanghai is 1s. 6 1/2 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co's shares have changed owner-ship at \$22 1/2 and \$20, and while at a good many shares could be placed, but few are offered at \$22 1/2. Philippine Tobacco Trusts have tumbled to \$39, the second ordinary meeting of shareholders in this company was held on 22nd instant, when the report for the half-year ended 31st October, was presented. The profit and loss account shows a credit balance of \$11,575.64, and the report says that during a large portion of the period under review, the working of the various factories was seriously interfered with, and practically brought to a standstill by a strike among all the operatives employed. This strike lasted from about 1st of July to about the 20th of August, and while full salaries to the permanent staff had to be paid, the profit earning powers were entirely suspended. It is considered advisable to write off as bad and doubtful debts the sum of \$11,876.30, also \$5,415.15 from the value of cigarettes, as the same are old and the cost of putting them on the market would probably exceed the value they would "ever" fetch. The large stock of 1,893 tobacco, stored in the Constant Godown, having deteriorated so much in a common with all other tobacco stocks of that year's crop, it has been necessary to write off said buildings the large sum of \$5,838.77. A small consignment of tobacco which was sent to Europe as an experiment, 1, showed a loss of \$3,250.68 on a cost value of \$4,678, including shipping charges. Owing to the stoppage of work in the factories, as referred to, the manufacturing profits have been cut down to practically nil, and only amount to \$1,383.64. The balance sheet states that the capital consists of \$1,000,000 in 20,000 shares of \$50 each, of which however only 14,139 shares have been taken up—\$706,950. The company owes \$294,922 as a loan against tobacco, \$7,071.85 to the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, \$160,763 to sundry creditors and \$63,527.34 to the General Managers. On the other hand we find the assets costing \$670,000, additional stock \$23,045.77, buildings \$6,049.13, furniture \$1,519.17, cash in hand \$5,034.03, unexpired first insurance \$3,996.52, and sundry debtors \$38,820.49, leaving a debit balance of \$111,575.64 as stated above.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer	117
Bank Bills, on demand	117 1/16
Credits, 4 months' sight	117 7/16
ON BERLIN (demand)	117 7/16
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand	117 7/16
Credits, 4 months' sight	117 7/16
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand	117 7/16
Credits, 30 days' sight	117 7/16
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer	118 1/16
On demand	118 1/16
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer	118 1/16
Private 30 days' sight	118 1/16
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T.	118 1/16
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate	118 1/16
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael	64 7/8
Bar Silver	118 1/16

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OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.
To-day's quotations are as follows—
MALWA NEW @ \$1,020/1,030
PATNA NEW @ 1,040/1,050
BENARES NEW @ 975
PERSIAN (PAPER) @ 700/750

To-day's Advertisements.

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PRICES: \$1.50, \$1, and 50 cents.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1902. [1427]

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY,
LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of
The CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED,
will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of
the Company, 4, Queen's Buildings, Victoria,
in the Colony of Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY,
the 14th day of January, 1903, at 12 N. ON, for the
purpose of confirming the following resolution
passed at the EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the Company held this day
(29th December, 1902):—

RESOLUTION.
That for the purpose of carrying into effect the
special resolution duly passed and confirmed
at Extraordinary General Meetings
of the Company held on the 11th
and 27th days of October, 1902, the
Company be wound up voluntarily under
the Provisions of the Companies Ordinance
1865 to 1899 and that the Liquidator
be Charles Stewart Sharp, Alexander
George Wood, and John Thomas Martin
Wheeler be appointed Liquidators of
the said Company with full powers for each
of them solely to exercise all the powers
of the joint liquidators and that for the
like purpose the liquidators be and they
are hereby authorized to consent to the
preparation of the Memorandum and
Articles of Association of and to the
re-constitution of a new Company to be
incorporated under the Companies Ordinance
of Hongkong under the name of
"The China-Borneo Company Limited or
some similar title."

Dated this 29th day of December, 1902.
By Order of the Committee,
WILLIAM D. JUPP,
Acting Manager.

COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

I HAVE THIS DAY RESUMED CHARGE
of the Hongkong Branch of this Company.
W. H. TRENCHARD DAVIS,
Manager.
Hongkong, 28th December 1902. [1435d]

THE EASTERN EXTENSION AND
GREAT NORTHERN TELE-
GRAPH COMPANIES.

A DUPLICATION of the WLADIMOS-
VODKA ROUTE has been OPENED
via KUCHIA but is provisionally only
available for Telegrams. Correspondence
between China and Russia, and those who wish
their Telegrams for Russia forwarded, by preference,
by either of the said routes are consequently
requested to mark the Telegram Forms
accordingly. If no Special Route is indicated,
Telegram for Russia will be forwarded via
Kuchia if intended for Blagoweschensk or
places West of Blagoweschensk, and via
Wladimowsk if intended for places East of
Blagoweschensk.

J. M. BECK,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1902. [1436d]

FOR SALE.
SMALL YACHT with Dingy, in First
Class Order. Owner selling for Larger
Craft.
Further Particulars, apply by Letter
to "TELEGRAPH" OFFICE.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1902. [1429d]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUETOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.
FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE
AND YOKOHAMA.
THE Company's Steamship

"CALEDONNIEN."
Captain Remds, will be despatched for the
above ports on or about MONDAY, the 3rd
January, 1903.
For Freight or Passage, apply to—
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1902. [1044c]

To-day's Advertisements.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.
In accordance with the Provisions of Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, on THURSDAY, the 1st January, 1903.

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA,
T. G. COCHRANE,
Acting Manager, Hongkong.
For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED,
F. W. ORMISTON,
Acting Manager, Hongkong.
For the BANQUE DE CHINE-CHONG,
Hongkong Agency,
GASTON MAYER,
Acting Manager.

For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,
TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.
For the IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA,
E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.
For the DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK, H. FIGGE,
Manager.

For the RUSSO-CHINESE BANK,
J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager.
For the GUARANTY TRUST CO. OF NEW YORK,
E. F. GROS,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1902. [1436d]
DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW.
THE Company's Steamship

"THALES."
Captain Robson, will be despatched for the
above port on THURSDAY, the 1st January,
1903, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1902. [1437d]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.
THE Company's Steamship

"NAMSANG."
Captain Gen. Payne, will be despatched as above
on WEDNESDAY, the 7th January, 1903, at
Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1902. [1438d]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
S.S. "BENLAVERS"
FROM LEITH, LONDON AND
STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby
informed that all Goods are being landed
at their risk into the Godown of the Hongkong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company,
Limited, whence and/or from the wharves
delivery may be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered
after the 5th January will be subject to
rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented
to the Underwriter on or before the 20th
January, or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns where they will be
examined on the 5th January, at 11 A.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th December, 1902. [1438d]

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.
Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo—
From Persian Gulf, ex B.I.S.N. and B. & P.
S.N. Co's Steamers.
Goods not cleared by the 4th January, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.
Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns
for examination by the Consignee's and the
Company's representatives at an appointed hour.
All claims must be presented within ten
days of the steamer's arrival here after which
date they cannot be recognized.
No claims will be admitted after the goods
have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1902. [1439d]

BUCHANAN
BLEND
SCOTCH WHISKY.



JAMES BUCHANAN & CO.
SCOTCH WHISKY DISTILLERS.
By Appointment to
H.M. THE KING
and
H.R.H. the PRINCE OF WALES

SOLE AGENTS:
LANE CRAWFORD & CO.
HONGKONG

Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LIMITED.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON.

MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 6th January.
"	"PROMETHEUS"	On 8th "
"	"DIOMED"	On 14th "
"	"HOMER"	On 28th "

HOMEWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON	"PELEUS"	On 6th January.
LONDON	"ANTENOR"	On 20th January.
GENOA and LIVERPOOL	"TYDEUS"	On 20th January.
LONDON	"TELEMACHUS"	On 3rd February.
LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS"	On 17th February.
(Taking Cargo at London Rates)	"DARDANUS"	On 20th February.
MARSEILLES and ANTWERP	"PYRRHUS"	On 21st February.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1902.

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY LIMITED.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PAKING"	22nd January.
"	"CHINGWO"	3rd February.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, ANTWERP and AMS-TERDAM	"OOPACK"	16th January.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, and TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"PAKING"	24th January.
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For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1902.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	"KALGA"	30th December.
KOBE	"TAIYUAN"	31st "
SHANGHAI	"KANSU"	31st "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY IS., COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS- VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TAIYUAN"	20th January.

The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried. Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports. Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian Ports.

See Special Advertisement.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 9th December, 1902.

Hongkong-Manila.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila—Saloon amidships—Electric Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon carried—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	MANILA (DIRECT)	2nd January, at Noon.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Do.	7th "
DIAMANTE	1980	A. H. Nolley	"	"
PERLA	1980	J. McGinty	"	"

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1902.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG VIA MOJI, KOBE
AND YOKOHAMA.

PORTLAND OREGON

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY,

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
"INDRAVELLI"	4,899	W. E. Craven	Jan. 14, 1903.
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	A. E. Hollingsworth	"
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	R. P. Craven	"

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent,

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA

PROPOSED SAILINGS—SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Destinations.	Steamers.	Captains.	Sailing Dates.
FOR FOCHOOW	"ANPING MARU"	J. Goto	WEDNESDAY, 31st December.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIJIN MARU"	T. Ogata	SUNDAY, 4th January.
FOR ANPING	"MAIDZURU MARU"	T. Saito	WEDNESDAY, 7th January.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIGI MARU"	T. W. Groves	SUNDAY, 11th Jan., at 8 A.M.

* VIA SWATOW and AMOY.

† Subject to alteration.

The Company's new steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for 1st class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried. All steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mails, subject to periodical inspection by the Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered in the highest class at Lloyd's. Steamers will go alongside the Co's Pontoon at the Customs' water-front premises at Tamsui to land all passengers and cargo.

By the Co's steamers for Shanghai through Bills of Lading issued for Cargo to Yangtze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the NIPPON-YUSEN KAISHA's steamers from Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co's Local Branch Office, at No. 4, Des Voeux Road Central.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1902.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAILONG,"
Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 30th instant, at 9 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1902. [1423d]

TOYO KISEN KAISHA,
(ORIENTAL S.S. CO.)REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN
HONGKONG AND MANILA,
IN 48 HOURS.

THE Company's well-known Steamship

"ROHILLA MARU,"
3,869 Tons,
Captain E. P. Bishop, will be despatched hence for MANILA, TO-MORROW, the 30th instant, at Noon.

To be followed by
"ROSETTA MARU,"
on or about 5th January next.

Magnificent accommodation. Comfortable cabins. Excellent table. Unrivalled speed. Electric light. Doctor and Stewardess carried. For Freight or Passage, apply to
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
Agents.

"Prince's Buildings,
Ice House Street.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1902. [1189d]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"CATHERINE APCAR,"
Captain S. H. Belson, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 30th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1902. [1413d]

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

HONGKONG TO SYDNEY
AND MELBOURNE.

USUAL AUSTRALIAN PORTS OF CALL.

AVERAGE LENGTH OF VOYAGE
TO SYDNEY 30 DAYS.Saloon Passengers carried at SPECIALLY
REDUCED RATES, particulars of which can
be obtained on application to the Undersigned.

NEXT SAILINGS.
"TAIYUAN" leaves on 20th Jan.
"TSUNAN" " 16th Feb.
"CHANGSHA" " 7th Mar.
"CHINGTU" " " "

Superior accommodation amidships. Electric Light throughout. Fitted with Refrigerators which ensure a fresh supply of ice and provisions during the entire voyage. Duly qualified European Surgeons carried.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents, C. N. Co., Ltd.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR GENOA, ANTWERP AND LONDON.

THE Steamship

"BENLOMOND,"
Captain Stutton, will be despatched as above on or about the 31st instant, instead of the 3rd January as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. [1382d]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Japanese Mail Steamship

"KUMANO MARU,"
5,000 Tons, Captain E. W. Haswell, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 1st January, at 4 P.M.

This Well-known Steamer is specially constructed for the service in the Tropics, and is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Electric Light and Refrigerator. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1902. [1394d]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIP.

FOR LONDON.

THE Steamship

"GLENLOCHY,"
Captain E. J. Stillard, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 5th January, 1903.

For Freight, apply to
McGREGOR BROS. & GOW.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1902. [1374d]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN, and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EASTERN,"
Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 9th January, 1903, at Daylight.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. [1383d]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI AND VLADIVOSTOCK.

THE Steamship

"SAVOIA,"
Captain Rebellmund, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 31st instant, at NOON.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First Class Passengers and carries a Doctor. For Freight or Passage, apply to
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1902. [1424d]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE

TO NEW YORK,
VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
(With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1903.
"MOGUL".....About 6th Jan.
"HINDUSTAN"....." 15th Jan.
"SHIMOSA"....." To follow.

For Freight and further information, apply to
DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902. [1399d]

Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept Fire, Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.,
[23]

Hongkong, 18th May, 1895.

Intimations.

CURES
MEN & WOMEN
BIG is a non-poisonous remedy for any unnatural discharge and inflammation, irritation, or ulceration of mucous membranes. Painless. Guaranteed not to stricture. Prevents contagion.
SOLD BY CHEMISTS.
Circular mailed on request.
MANUFACTURED BY
The Great Chemical Co.,
CINCINNATI, O., U.S.A.

TSU FAN,

PRICE MODERATE.—CONSULTATION FREE.
Next to the Hongkong Dispensary,
50, Queen's Road, Central.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1902. [1299d]

Relieves the scalding pain at once and
CURES
all discharges from the genito-urinary organs in either sex in
48 HOURS
Santal-Midy is specific for
Gonorrhea, Cystitis,
and all other diseases of the
urinary tract.
Unlike the usual oil of the
Bears, it is a pure vegetable
preparation, and causes
no inconvenience.
Beware of imitations.
Each tiny Capsule
bears the name
S. RUE WUENNE, PARIS

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE,
HONGKONG.

OWING to the insufficiency of accommodation in the present building and the increasing demand for admission, it has been found necessary to extend the wings of the main building and to enlarge the Chinese department by an additional storey with two wings. The estimated cost will amount to over \$15,000. To cover these expenses we appeal to the liberality of all friends of Education. The establishment has been in existence for the last 25 years and is open to all classes. Much of the clerical work of the city is carried on by its past pupils. As this is the first time we have applied for assistance we expect a generous response. The names of our most liberal Benefactors will be inscribed upon marble tablets, as a lasting testimony of their generosity.

THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS.
Hongkong, 22nd November, 1902.

SAVARESSE'S
SANDAL
CAPSULES
Not made of Guttapercha, most efficacious, because absolutely pure English Oil.
Full Directions. All Chemists.
Insist on Savarasse's.

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS OF THE ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.
Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery, Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superioress will also be most grateful for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1894.

Intimation.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

1, ICE HOUSE ROAD,
HONGKONG.

CABLE ADDRESS.—Telegraph, Hongkong.

THE leading English Newspaper in China.
Also widely circulated in Japan, Ceylon, China, Ceylon, India and the Far East generally.

A daily newspaper with weekly edition published for despatch by the homeward mail. The daily is recommended as more generally suitable, except for subscribers in Europe or America.

A special feature is made of full and accurate reports of local occurrences, and of matters of general interest.

ADVERTISING DEPARTMENT.

The Hongkong Telegraph is the best medium for advertising in China. It circulates largely among all classes of the community, is the largest daily newspaper and has a wider circulation than any journal in the Far East.

Special attention given to effectively displaying advertisements.

The type used as a standard for setting advertisements is similar to this, unless we are instructed to display the advertisement, when any effective style of type will be adopted. This standard runs exactly eight lines to the inch, and about eight words to the line.

ADVERTISEMENT RATES.

(per inch.)	
One week.....	2.25
One month.....	7.25
Two months.....	13.00
Three ".....	20.00
Six ".....	37.50
Twelve ".....	73.00
No charge less than one dollar.	
Discount allowed on—	
3 Months Contracts.....	5 per cent.
6 ".....	10 "
12 ".....	25 "

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

Notices of Births, Deaths, and Marriages.
\$1 each insertion in the Daily and Weekly.

CONTRACT ADVERTISEMENTS.

Special Rates for standing advertisements can be ascertained from the Manager.

Advertisements for the Daily should reach the Hongkong Telegraph Office not later than noon of the day they are intended to appear.

Unless otherwise specified all advertisement will be repeated and charged for until countermanded.

JOBING DEPARTMENT.

Job Printing of all descriptions undertaken.

PAMPHLETS.

CARDS.

CIRCULARS.

EXPRESSES.

All job printing is done under European supervision, well turned out, free from errors, and remarkably cheap at

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

OFFICE.

Estimates given for all classes of work on application to

THE MANAGER.

HONGKONG TELEGRAPH CO., LTD.

1, Ice House Road.

Hongkong.

Intimation.

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FLUID
OIL
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COLORLESS
FRAGRANT
NON-POISONOUS
DOES NOT
STAIN
KILLS ALL
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Sulphur Goggles & KINGZETT'S
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"HOW TO DISINFECT" Book Free.

THE "SANTAS" CO., Ltd.,
Bethnal Green, LONDON, E.

DISINFECTANTS

Shipping.

Arrivals.

RUBI, British steamer, 1,611, R. W. Almond, 27th Dec.—Manila 25th Dec. General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
HOKOKU MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,745, K. Yamashiro, 27th Dec.—Chefoo 21st Dec. Ground-nuts—Yu Sheng Tung.
MADELINE RICKMERS, German steamer, 1,020, T. Landers, 27th Dec.—Bangkok 19th Dec. Rice—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
DORIS, Norwegian steamer, 955, K. Jacobsen, 28th Dec.—Saigon 21st Dec. Rice and Flour—Nam Wo.
PEKIN, British steamer, 2,522, C. R. Longden, 28th Dec.—Bombay 6th Dec. and Singapore 20th, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
ANPING MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,035, I. Goto, 28th Dec.—Fochow via Amoy and Swatow 27th Dec. General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
NAMSANG, British steamer, 2,591, G. Payne, 29th Dec.—Calcutta 13th Dec. Penang 18th, and Singapore 22nd General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
HAILONG, British steamer, 783, S. Gibson, 29th Dec.—Swatow 28th Dec. General—Douglas, Larraik & Co.
CARL DIEDERICHSEN, German steamer, 774, G. Schalkier, 28th Dec.—Haiphong 25th Dec. Pakhni 26th, and Hocho 27th, General—Jensen & Co.
MANILA, British steamer, 2,711, R. A. Peter, 28th Dec.—Antwerp 7th Nov. and Singapore 22nd Dec. General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
HSIEH-HO, Chinese steamer, 1,083, Crawford, 28th Dec.—Canton 28th Dec. General—C. M. S. N. Co.
ELITA NOSSACK, German steamer, 1,161, H. Bruhn, 28th Dec.—Canton 28th Dec. General—E. A. Trading Co.
MARIE JENSEN, German steamer, 1,773, H. Bendixen, 28th Dec.—Canton 28th Dec. General—Jensen & Co.
MACHROW, German steamer, 996, H. Hajes, 29th Dec.—Bangkok via Swatow 29th Dec. Rice—Melchers & Co.
SHAKANO MARU, Japanese steamer, 2,064, S. Osaki, 29th Dec.—Moji 22nd Dec. Coal—F. A. Trading Co.
TAICHOW, German steamer, 862, G. Schultzen, 29th Dec.—Bangkok 29th Dec. Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
RAINBOW, American monitor, Scander, 29th Dec.—Manila 26th Dec.

Departures.

Dec. 28, Korea, Russian str., for Shanghai.
Dec. 28, Deuteros, German str., for Kobe.
Dec. 28, Tingsang, British str., for Shanghai.
Dec. 28, Kachidate Maru, Japanese str., for Kuchinozu.
Dec. 29, Tonkin, French str., for Europe.
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